

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 3, 2004
MILLENNIUM SCHOOL, CONFERENCE ROOM A
7:15 A.M.**

Members Present: Christopher A. Romeo, Andrea Peraner-Sweet, Jim Silva, Diane Holmes, Scott Hazleton, Mary Trubey, Elaine Nickerson, Carl Lyman, Ann Eno,

Absent: Doug Deschenes, Bruce Caldwell, Lauren Coffey

Non voting members present: Chris Pude

Announcements:

Pude indicated that 2 first time homebuyer units at Brookside have been approved by the DHCD. Tadmuck expansion of existing 48 units to addition of 36 more continues to roll along.

Pude also mentioned that DHCD has a rolling application for \$50,000.00 in grant monies for the development of affordable housing on municipal land. Such monies are for predevelopment costs, technical assistance, etc. Group representatives including Holmes will attend additional seminar on the topic of utilizing municipal land for promotion of affordable housing.

Sweet noted that Westford's Special Town Meeting adjourned with a failure of quorum of 200 leaving the VMC/Stonybrook housing site without necessary approvals for easements. It appears that such easements will be approved as a matter of course, and the project will likely go on anyway.

Pude noted that an additional Housing Authority member is being sought for 503C housing issues at Tadmuck.

Update on Laurel Hills, committee was encouraged to attend the ZBA hearings on this issue slated to begin 11-17-04. Pude reminded AHC that monitoring of price, lottery, rental amounts is of paramount importance to this process. Romeo mentioned that ZBA can be encouraged to require this as a condition of approval.

Trubey noted that Conscom and Sweet noted that Planning Board have been asked, but, lack sufficient materials to review and opine the Laurel Hills project.

Motion by Holmes, 2nd By Eno, for the AHC to go into executive session to discuss litigation issues surrounding 52 Beaver Brook Road Property. All voting members were polled by Sweet and all unanimously articulated their assent. Pude to join.

Following Executive Session's closure, Trubey moved and Silva seconded with unanimous approval by voting members assembled to adjourn at 8:40 a.m.

Next meeting: November 17, 2004 @ 7:15 a.m. Millenium School.